scale industries of the country capable; and

(b) if so, the number of small scale industries in various States of the country provided with financial assistance and quantum of financial assistance provided to them during the last three yeas to make them capable?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued detailed guidelines to banks, from time to time, to detect sickness at an early stage and take remedial measures for rehabilitation of sick SSI units identified as potentially viable. The State Level Inter-Institutional Committee (SLIIC) has been set up in each State under the convenorship of RBI to deal with the problems of co-ordination for rehabilitation of sick SSI units. Banks have been advised to ensure restructuring of debt of all eligible small and medium enterprises.

(b) The data relating to number of smal scale industries and outstanding credit in the books of public sector banks during the last three years is as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Year	No. of units	Amount outstanding
2004	1709522	58311.35
2005	1395133	67999.79
2006	1728463	82434.05

Fake PAN cards in Delhi

†1567. SHRI MAHENDRA SAHNI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that tax-payers have forged PAN cards in other States of country, including Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of action Government propose to take against those who have forged PAN cards?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) One case of a forged PAN card came to the notice of Income Tax Department during last one year.

(b) The case of forged PAN card was brought to the notice of the Income Tax Department by Police Station, Connaught Place, New Delhi in January, 2007. This forged card was in the name of Vanay Kumar.

(c) The Income Tax Department has requested the Police Authorities to take necessary action in the matter.

Reduction in allocation for agriculture

1568. SHRI SITARAM YECHURY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a growth of around 12 per cent in total Union Government expenditure, between 2003-04 till 2006-07, alongwith reduction in the allocations for agriculture and allied activities as a proportion of total Union Government Expenditure, to the tune of 20 per cent; and

(b) what will be the implications of such apathy of the Central Government towards agriculture and allied activities in view of the precarious conditions of the State finances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) and (b) Total Central Plan Outlay for Ministry of Agriculture (Departments of Agriculture and Cooperation, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries and Agriculture Research and Education) increased at an average annual rate of 28.8 per cent from Rs. 3242 crore in 2003-04 (BE) to Rs. 6927 crore in 2006-07 (BE). Total Central Plan Outlay of Government of India increased at an average annual rate of 19.8 per cent from Rs. 147,893 crore in 2003-04 (BE) to Rs. 254,041 crore in 2006-07 (BE).

Asian Development Bank aided projects

1569. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ADB is aiding India;